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For : MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION RETRIEVAL SERVER, USER  
TERMINAL, MESSAGE - SENDING TERMINAL, AND  
METHOD FOR RETRIEVING MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION  
AND FOR SENDING MESSAGE

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

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Sir :

In response to the Official Action dated April 23, 2004, which set a shortened period of response to expire on July 23, 2004, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, together with the allowance of all the claims pending in the present application.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this Reply.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this Reply.